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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th St. SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: WC Docket No. 03-228, Section 272(b)(1)'s "Operate Independently" Requirement for Section 272 Affiliates

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 5, 2003, the undersigned, of WorldCom, Inc. /d/b/a/ MCI, met with Christi Shewman, Scott Bergmann, and Pamela Megna of the Wireline Competition Bureau to discuss the above-captioned proceeding. The attached material formed the basis for MCI's presentation.

One electronic copy of this Notice is being submitted to the Secretary in accordance with section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules.

Sincerely,

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Alan Buzacott

cc: Christi Shewman Scott Bergmann Pamela Megna